

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD**

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S.ANANDA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO : 11766 of 2004

Between:

- 1 V. Anna Rao, S/o. Somaiah,
R/o. Dendulur Village & Mandal, West Godavari Dist.
- 2 Ganesh Parikh, S/o. Bhavanlal Parkh,
R/o. Kothagudem, Khammam Dist.

..... PETITIONER(S)

AND

- 1 The State rep. by the Prl. Secretary, Home Dept., Secretariat,
Hyderabad.
- 2 The Prl. Secretary, Revenue Department, Secretariat,
Hyderabad.
- 3 The Director General of police, A.P., Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENT(S)

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue writ or direction particularly in the nature of writ of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ declaring the action of the respondents in interfering with the exhibition of the skill games such as a) ring throw, b) Ball Box, c) video games, d) dart throw and e) steel games, by the petitioner as illegal, void, without power and jurisdiction and also contravention of section 15 of the A.P Gaming Act, 1974.

Counsel for the Petitioner : MR.V.R.AVULA, Advocate

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court at the stage of admission made the following:

ORAL ORDER:

This Writ Petition is filed by the petitioners alleging that the respondents are interfering with the exhibition of the skill games, such as (a) ring throw, (b) ball box, (c) video games, (d) dart throw, and (e) steel games during the festive and related auspicious days.

2. According to the petitioners, though the exhibition of the above-mentioned games does not contravene any of the provisions of the A.P. Gaming Act, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act'), the respondents are interfering and not allowing the petitioners to eke out their livelihood by carrying their business in exhibition of the skilled games.

3. At the time of hearing, the learned counsel for the petitioner represented that similar matters were already disposed of by this Court at the admission stage itself, granting the relief in favour of the petitioners therein.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Home, and considered the material on record.

5. In view of the absence of any prohibition from exhibiting such skill games under the provisions of the Act, the respondents are directed not to interfere with the exhibition of the above skill games. However, if the respondents found that the petitioners have contravened any of the specific provisions of the Act or any other law for the time being in force, they can take appropriate action.

6. The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of at the admission stage itself.

S.Ananda Reddy,J.

Dt. 15.07.2004

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To

1. The Principal Secretary, Home Department, The State of A.P., Secretariat, Hyderabad.
2. The Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad.
3. The Director General of Police, A.P., Hyderabad.

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